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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF CONSTITUENTS OF REPRESENTATIVE JOHN
BRADEMAS

1. DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE
TO CONGRESSMAN BRADEMAS FROM AMBASSADOR KREHBIEL.

BEGIN TEXT

DEAR MR. BRADEMAS:

IN RESPONSE TO YOUR LETTER OF JULY 16 I HAVE MADE
INQUIRIES AS TO APPROPRIATE CONTACTS FOR MR. AND MRS.
RONALD W. WORKMAN AND MS. INGA-LILL MALK DURING THEIR
STAY IN FINLAND. SINCE THEIR VISIT WILL TAKE PLACE
DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAY SEASON NOT ALL THE
FACILITIES THEY MIGHT WISH TO SEE WILL BE OPERATING
AT FULL STEAM.

THE MOST REWARDING SITE FOR A VISIT IN LATE JULY OR
AUGUST IS THE TYYSKYLAN KURSSI-JA TYOKESKUS
(TYYSKYLA REHABILITATION CENTER) IN SIUNTIO, ABOUT
50 KILOMETERS WEST OF HELSINKI. THE TELEPHONE
NUMBER IS 261401 AND THE DIRECTOR'S NAME IS RAUNO
LIPASTI. HE SPEAKS EXCELLENT ENGLISH. THE CENTER IS
RUN BY THE SOKEAIN KESKUSLIITO (BLIND PEOPLE'S
FEDERATION). IT HAS BEEN IN OPERATION FOR ABOUT 20
YEARS AND OFFERS BOTH SIX-MONTH AND ONE-YEAR COURSES.
THE SHORTER COURSES ARE AIMED AT ADJUSTMENT AND
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REHABILITATION AND THE LONGER ONES AT JOB TRAINING.

OTHER POSSIBLE CONTACTS FOR THE WORKMAN'S ARE
THE SOKEAIN KESKUSLIITTO ITSELF (TELEPHONE 718622) AND
THE NAKOVAMMAISTEN AMMATTIKOULU (VOCATIONAL
GUIDANCE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND) IN THE HELSINKI
SUBURB OF LEPPAVAARA. THIS LATTER INSTITUTION IS
CURRENTLY CLOSED BU THE OFFICE, AT LEAST, SHOULD BE
OPEN IN EARLY AUGUST. MR. AHOLA IS THE SCHOOL'S RECTOR
AND ITS TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE 515580 AND 717155.

IF THE WORKMAN'S HAVE ANY QUESTIONS WHEN THEY ARRIVE
IN HELSINKI OR IF THE EMBASSY CAN BE OF HELP IN ANY
WAY PLEASE HAVE THEM CONTACT EMBASSY OFFICERS ALDEN
IRONS OR TERRY HANSON.

WITH BEST WISHES, SINCERELY, V. JOHN KREHBIEL.

END TEXT
KREHBIEL

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